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1. WITHOUT ADDRESSING ENTIRE WORKING PAPER (REF B) EMBASSY WOULD
LIKE TO COMMENT ON DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION MADE IN
PARA 2J OF REFTEL: QTE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF A SMALL
AMOUNT OF BROWN COAL, HUNGARY HAS NO ENERGY RESOURCES
OF ITS OWN UNQTE.

2. HUNGARY PRODUCES ABOUT 54 PERCENT OF ITS ENERGY
REQUIREMENTS. THIS FIGURE WILL DECLINE TO ABOUT 42
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PERCENT IN 1980 (SEE BUDAPEST 510). HUNGARY PROVIDES

APPROXIMATELY 19 PERCENT OF ITS OWN CRUDE OIL NEEDS
AND UUMOST 80 PERCENT OF ITS GROWING NATURAL GAS
CONSUMPTION. HUNGARIAN OFFICIALS EXPECT THAT IT
SHOULD BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN ITS PRESENT LEVEL OF
DOMESTIC CRUDE PRODUCTION FOR DECADES, GAS OUTPUT
MAY EVEN INCREASE SLIGHTLY. DOMESTIC HYDRO-
CARBONS PRODUCTION ACCOUNTS FOR ABOUT 25 PERCENT OF
HUNGARY'S ENERGY REQUIREMENTS.

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